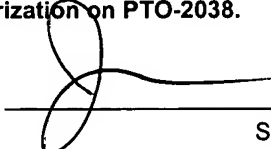
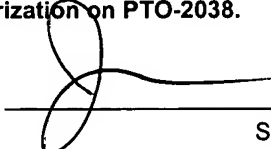
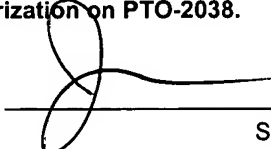




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| In re Application of DEEM, Mark et al. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p>This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.</p> <p>The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):</p> <table><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))</td><td>\$</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))</td><td>\$</td></tr><tr><td><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))</td><td>\$950</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))</td><td>\$</td></tr><tr><td><input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))</td><td>\$</td></tr></table> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ 475 .</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 20-1430.</p> <p>I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.</p> <p>I am the <input type="checkbox"/> applicant/inventor.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71 Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent of record.. Registration Number 29,541</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a). Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a). _____</p> <p>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.</p> <table><tr><td>March 1, 2004</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Date</td><td>Signature</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>James M. Heslin, Reg. No. 29,541</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Typed or printed name</td></tr></table> <p>NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below*.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> *Total of _____ forms are submitted.</p> | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) | \$ | <input type="checkbox"/> Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | \$ | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | \$950 | <input type="checkbox"/> Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | \$ | <input type="checkbox"/> Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | \$ | March 1, 2004 |  | Date | Signature | | James M. Heslin, Reg. No. 29,541 | | Typed or printed name |
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